

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Mr. William Colby
Director
Central Intelligence Agency

Dear Mr. Colby:

I am writing to express my deep appreciation for the assistance your Agency has given to the National Security Council Inter-Agency Task Force On the Law of the Sea and the U.S. delegation to the UN Law of the Sea Conference. The help provided has been extremely valuable for our work. CIA's Intelligence Directorate has at our request prepared analysis of specific negotiating issues which we have used in shaping our policies. The biographic analysis on over 400 foreign delegations has proved to be immensely useful to us in carrying out negotiations in the small groups which have become an increasingly important feature in the Conference negotiations. The LOS Country Studies of 47 key countries have proved to be a valuable resource not only in assessing and predicting country positions but in tailoring our negotiations to special needs. In addition, [REDACTED] has provided us with a very useful series of compilations of articles on LOS positions. STATSPEC

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Once again, I would like to express my thanks for this assistance and my hope that we can look forward to meeting with Dr. John K. King, Director/Office of Geographic and Cartographic Research to plan further cooperation during the next and crucial period of the LOS negotiations.

Sincerely yours,

John Norton Moore
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Task Force on the Law of the Sea
and Deputy Special Representative
of the President for the Law of
the Sea Conference

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